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Provincial Mine Inspector Advocates
Practice of Placing Early Orders

"Owing to the scarcity of labor likely to take place during next fall and winter, the necessity of making provision for a probable shortage of fuel by having as large a stock on hand as possible before severe weather sets in, cannot be too strongly impressed upon the general public. Not only is the number of men available for employment at the mines reduced, but statistics show that during the last 12 months the daily production per man has been reduced at least half a ton, so that we may look for a daily reduction in output of from 5,000 to 6,000 tons from this cause alone."

This was how John T. Stirling, chief inspector of mines for Alberta, summed up the domestic coal situation when addressing the board of trade at the luncheon in the Macdonald Hotel a few days ago.

In the Edmonton district, where all the coal mined was lignite, he pointed out there were in operation at present 21 mines, capable of producing a total output of 1,500,000 tons per year, averaging 250 workings days. The actual output produced during 1915 from this territory was 457,910 tons, or 24.1 per cent of what the mines were capable of doing. The average number of days worked per month throughout the year was 17.3, but it must also be re-

membered that the number of men employed during the months of April to September inclusive, is also materially reduced.

Money Advantage to City.

Assuming that each ton of coal produced would a pay roll of \$1.25 per ton at the mines, the amount of money turned over during the year, in the Edmonton district, would be \$172,475, whereas had the mines worked steadily for even 250 days the turnover would have been \$2,275,000, over four times the amount realized. In view of the fact that practically all of this money would pass through the City of Edmonton, the natural distributing centre for all these mines, he was sure, he said, they would agree with him, that it would be of the utmost importance to the city if something could be done to enable the mines in the district to work more steadily than they have been doing in past years.

Conditions Favorable.

"The local mining conditions," said he, "are extremely favorable when compared with those in other parts of the province. This district contains an enormous quantity of lignite coal of good quality and all the more important mines are connected to the Canadian Northern, Grand Trunk or Canadian Pacific railways. It is also in a splendid position as to shipping facilities."

Alluding to the mines being unable to supply the demand in last years during the winter, he said this difficulty would be overcome to a very great extent if people would look a little ahead during the months of August or September at the latest.

Answers Arguments.

"Of course," he added, "it may be contended that people cannot be expected to spend money in August for coal which they probably will not use for several months. This argument would, however, be worthy of more consideration in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, where anything from \$6.00 to \$10.00 per ton is paid for coal, than it is locally where coal can be obtained at \$3.00 to \$4.00. It is also contended the local coals when stored stack to a considerable extent."

"I have studied this question rather closely and am convinced that when these coals are stored under cover the deterioration which takes place during a period of four or five months is practically nil."

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